

Chambers of Chief Judge James D. Todd

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James D. Todd
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1943
Education: Lambuth 1965 BS; Mississippi 1968 MCS;
Memphis State 1972 JD
Began Service: July 11, 1985
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Science Teacher and Chairman of Science Department, Lyman High School (1965-1968); Science Teacher and Chairman of the Science Department, Memphis University School (1968-1972)

Judicial: Judge, Tennessee Circuit Court, Division II (1983-1985)

Legal Practice: Waldrop, Farmer, Todd & Breen, PA (1972-1983)

Current Memberships: Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Jackson-Madison County Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Rayna Bomar** (731) 421-9222
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Jon P. McCalla
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
Education: Tennessee 1969 BS; Vanderbilt 1974 JD
Began Service: 1992
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Bailey Brown, United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee (1974-1975)

Legal Practice: Associate, Armstrong, Allen, Braden, Goodman, McBride & Prewitt (1975-1980); Partner, Armstrong, Allen, Prewitt, Gentry, Johnson & Holmes (1980-1987); Partner, Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch (1987-1992)

Military Service: United States Army (1969-1971)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Memphis Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association

Staff

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Bernice B. Donald
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1951
Education: Memphis State 1974 BA, 1979 JD
Began Service: January 1996
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Adjunct Professor (part-time), Shelby State Community College (1980-1984); Adjunct Professor (part-time), University of Memphis School of Law (1985-1988); Faculty, National Judicial College

Corporate: Clerk and Manager, South Central Bell Telephone Company (1971-1980)

Government: Staff Attorney, Memphis Area Legal Services (1980); Faculty, Federal Judicial Center; Assistant Public Defender, Shelby County, State of Tennessee (1980-1982)

Judicial: Judge, Tennessee General Sessions Criminal Court (1982-1988); Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Tennessee (1988-1995)

Legal Practice: Sole Practitioner (1979-1980)

Current Memberships: American Association for Justice; American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; Association of Women Attorneys; International Women's Forum; Memphis Bar Association; National Association of Women Judges; National Bankruptcy Conference; National Bar Association; National Judicial College; Tennessee Bar Association

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Samuel H. Mays, Jr.
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1948
Education: Amherst 1970 BA; Yale 1973 JD
Began Service: June 17, 2002
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Government: Legal Counsel, Office of the Governor, State of Tennessee (1995-1997); Deputy Governor and Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor, State of Tennessee (1997-2000)

Legal Practice: Contract Employee, Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Walls (1973); Associate, Heiskell, Donelson, Adams, Williams & Kirsch (1973-1979); Shareholder, Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch (1979-1995); Shareholder, Baker, Donelson, Bearman & Caldwell (2000-2002)

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J. Daniel Breen
District Judge

Date of Birth: July 10, 1950
Education: Spring Hill 1972 BA; Tennessee 1975 JD
Began Service: March 18, 2003
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee (1991-2003)

Legal Practice: Partner, Waldrop, Breen, Bryant, Crews, Taylor & McLeary (1975-1991)

Nonprofit: President, Tennessee Bar Association (1996-1997)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; The Lincoln-Douglas American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Memphis Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Foundation

Staff

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**Diane K. Vescovo**
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1955
Education: Virginia 1977 BA;
Memphis State 1980 JD
Began Service: June 15, 1995
Term Expires: June 15, 2011

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Harry W. Wellford (1980-1981)

Legal Practice: Lloyd C. Kirkland, Jr. (1981-1987); International Paper Company (1987-1992); Wolff Ardis, P.C. (1992-1995)

Chambers of Magistrate Judge Diane K. Vescovo continued

Current Memberships: Association of Women Attorneys; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Memphis Bar Association; Tennessee Bar Association

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Tu M. Pham
Magistrate Judge

Government: Assistant U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice, William J. Clinton Administration (1999)

Chambers of Magistrate Judge S. Thomas Anderson

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